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In re Application of
Odenwalder, et al.
Application No. 09/981,027
Filed: October 15, 2001
Docket No.: PA020032

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This is a decision on the petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, filed May 25, 2007.

This application was held abandoned for failure to timely submit a proper reply to the non-final Office action mailed January 30, 2004. Notice of Abandonment was mailed May 9, 2007.

Petitioner asserts that a response to the non-final Office action was timely submitted on April 9, 2004 and have provided as proof of mailing and proof of USPTO receipt a return postcard dated April 9, 2004 acknowledging receipt of the reply.

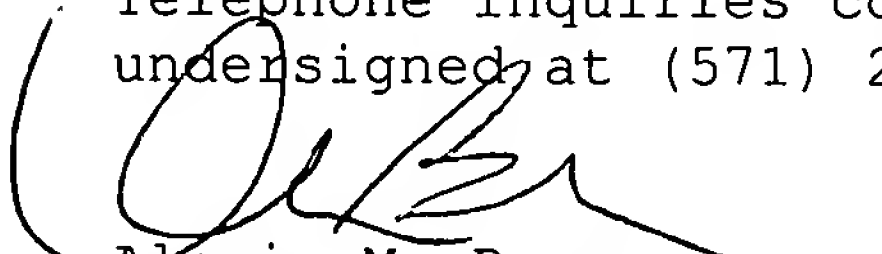
The original response submitted April 9, 2004 has not been located in the application file. However, in view of the evidence submitted, the reply is deemed to have been timely submitted.

Accordingly, the petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment is hereby **GRANTED**.

The Notice of Abandonment is hereby **VACATED** and the holding of abandonment is **WITHDRAWN**.

The application file is being forwarded to the Technology Center 2600 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3205.


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